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To: All CCORP Hospitals

Subject: **Major CCORP program changes made by the CCORP Clinical Advisory Panel**

This bulletin is to inform you of recommended CCORP program changes resulting from the CCORP Clinical Advisory Panel (CAP) Meeting held on July 26, 2004. Please note that Items #1-3 require regulatory changes. We are beginning the process of revising our regulations and will seek stakeholder comments, including those from the hospital community, early next year before implementation. This bulletin simply provides information on planned changes and requires no immediate action from hospitals.

1. The CAP approved a motion to expand our outcome measures by collecting surgical **complication measures that STS already collects**. This action will require regulatory change. OSHPD will provide training to hospital data abstractors before implementation.
2. The CAP authorized CCORP to adopt minor definitional changes to variables made by **STS in version 2.52.1**. The CAP also approved of CCORP dropping those data elements that STS no longer required for their data harvest if they are not part of the CCORP risk model (e.g. Canadian Cardiovascular Society Classification). This item will require regulatory change.
3. Minor modifications were made to the **definition of isolated CABG**. Changes were posted to the CCORP website in Bulletin 04-01. This item will require regulatory change.
4. The CAP approved a motion to replace in-patient mortality with **operative mortality** as the primary outcome measure. This includes all deaths within 30 days of isolated CABG surgery, regardless of whether the patient is in the hospital or has been discharged, and all in-hospital deaths. This will require waiting for vital statistics data to become available to allow linkage with CCORP data. This action may require regulatory change.
5. The CAP approved the risk model and results for the **CCMRP 2000-2002** report. Motion was passed to release the 2000-2002 CCMRP report. Hospitals have already been sent their results and public release is expected in late 2004.

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